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Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council Executive Subcommittee on DJJ

October 27, 2020

Civic Center Building
Probation Department - Administration
175 W. 5th Street, Room 401, San Bernardino

Agenda Item	Discussion																						
1. Meeting Called to Order	Chief Michelle Scray Brown called meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.																						
2. Introductions and Opening Remarks	Virtual attendance sign-in roster on file.																						
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<p>3. Overview of SB823</p>	<p>PowerPoint presentation:</p> <p>SB823 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closes the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) under CDCR and realigns juvenile population to the local level effective July 1, 2021 • BSCC will retain oversight for inspection compliance • Local funding will be available, but unknown when at this time • DJJ will stop intake on July 1, but it is unknown what the orders will look like • Youth in DJJ custody will remain at DJJ, unless County choses to return them locally, through attrition or time served and case closed • County can utilize funds to create alternative programs, contract with other counties or hybrid of alternative programs; some counties are considering specific programs for females, sex offenders and other specialized cases <p>DJJ Subcommittee –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must include seven specific agencies along with no less than three community members with experience providing community based youth services; all members will be considered voting members • Mission of the Subcommittee is to develop a local plan; completed in two phases <p>Probation Planning –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regulations regarding detainment of youth will be handled by Probation • High Desert Juvenile Detention and Assessment Center will be used to house youth; currently working to fill vacant positions to staff facility by March 2021; identify and schedule training for all staff to train together • Gateway Treatment Facility will be closed • Looking into JDAC programming without state funding • Suggested program name – Transitional Opportunity Program TOP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Open in three phases – 1) Secure detention and discuss terms of treatment; 2) Reentry – possible reopening of Gateway reimaged – employment, college/vocational courses, housing, transportation; 3) Aftercare – supervision in the community • Working on the extrapolation of numbers of current DJJ youth to predict the potential population <p>Issues –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First client scheduled for July 1, 2021, but State indicates youth may arrive as early as March 2021 if county decides to take youth back from current DJJ program.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All programming cannot be set up in the eight month timeframe allotted • Funding amount and time frame unclear • Program must comply with current regulations and laws regarding juvenile detention • Adult court commitments to state prison if youth is under 18 must be kept at a local level until 18 • State formula for funding • Unlikely to provide services to all populations and may need to consider contracting with another county – hybrid model <p>Next Steps –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schedule meetings approximately 1 to 2 times a month as needed • Provide presentations • Form workgroups and assignments • Take one step at a time
<p>4. Roundtable Questions - answered by Chief Brown</p>	<p>T. Stone –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How many San Bernardino youth may return? Unknown • How many expected to be housed annually? Unknown • What is the capacity to house? Up to 180 youth • What is the age range? Potentially up to 24 years of age • What is the duration of stay? Dependent on court order; will not be open ended; committee will need to discuss what steps youth will need to complete in order to move onto next phase within the timeframe given by Courts <p>D. English –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What changes to educational program will need to be made? Will need to discuss. High school graduation requirements, college or vocational training. Transition plan will need to include aspects of higher education. Youth in local custody transitioning to program will be able to have their needs assessed prior to entering program <p>C. Garofalo –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What will be the requirements for continuity of programs within DJJ to continue locally if the county chooses to return the youth from DJJ? Some DJJ programs cannot be replicated locally. Subcommittee will need to discuss possible returning youth at a later time, the primary focus now has to be youth that will be placed as of July 1, 2021. • Is the group interested in the violation policy? Yes. Legislation is unclear as to how they intend it to happen and are currently working to clean up the legislation.

	<p>J. Zepeda –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will the subcommittee be looking into the Annie Casey Foundation models? Yes we were just on the phone with them this morning. Request for Ms. Zepeda to look into it for possible presentation. • Will Probation be recruiting staff who want to work in the program? Yes. Current staff are interested in working the program. New hires residing in the desert will be assessed to work the program. Goal is to have staff in the program that want to work with this population. <p>Peterson –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has the subcommittee received any funding? No. Probation will be funding from department budget to fill vacancies and to initially open the facility/program. • Will there be an issue for approval to fill vacancies from the Board? Not at this time. All positions to start the program have been approved to fill. Dependent on number of youth in the program, additional positions will be needed and additional funding will be needed. <p>J. Cannady –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will the subcommittee also look into out of state models; Missouri and Texas? Yes. Staff that have viewed these models may be asked to present to group • Is the goal to grow the program slowly? Yes. • Does this give the opportunity for parole hearings? The Parole Board is being eliminated, San Bernardino could develop a process for what is expected, phases and release. <p>M. Scray Brown -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deputy Chief Francis will be assisting in spearheading program. • Thank you to everyone for taking time to participate.
5. Future Meeting Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will look at potential dates for future meetings, possibly in person • Next meeting – presentation on Missouri model • Subcommittee members need to start thinking of treatment components to incorporate and possible staff training for March.
6. Public Comments	No public present
7. Next Meeting	To be announced
8. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.